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SUBJECT: GAO VISIT

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1. JAMES Y. KURIHARA AND JOHN M. HARLAN, FROM INTERNATIONAL DIVISION, U.S. GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE, HONOLULU, VISITED TAIPEI FEB 27 - MARCH 2. THEY CALLED ON AMBASSADOR, COMUSTDC AND CHIEF MAAG, AND TALKED WITH OTHER PERSONNEL IN VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF THE MISSION. NO PROBLEMS WERE ENCOUNTERED, AND THEY APPEARED TO BE SATISFIED WITH THEIR VISIT.

2. THE GAO OFFICERS APPEARED TO BE PRIMARILY INTERESTED IN DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT SOME USG ACTIVITIES NOW BEING CONDUCTED IN HIGHER COST AREAS (E.E. JAPAN) MIGHT BE TRANSFERRED TOTAIWAN. WE PROVIDED THEM WITH A COPY OF THE SHANGHI COMMUNIQUE (WHICH THEY SAID THEY HAD NOT SEEN PREVIOUSLY) AND POINTED OUT THE SECTION WHICH REFERS TO WIRHDRAWAL OF U.S. MILITARY FORCES FROM TAIWAN. THEY APPEARED THEN TO UNDERSTAND THE MOVEMENTS OF ADDITIONAL UNITS WOULD BE A MATTER OF SOME POLITICAL SENSITIVITY AND WOULD HAVE TO BE FULLY
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CONSIDERED AT A HIGH LEVEL IN WASHINGTON.

3. GAO OFFICERS EXPRESSED SPECIAL INTEREST IN USN HEAD-
QUARTERS SUPPORT ACTIVITY TAIWAN, AND DOD CENTRAL CIVILIAN
PERSONNEL OFFICE, WHICH THEY VIEWED AS GOOD EXAMPLES OF
CONSOLIDATION OF SUPPORT/ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS, AND IN
REBUILD PROGRAMS OF TAIWAN MATERIAL AGENCY, WITH WHICH THEY
WERE ALSO FAVORABLY IMPRESSED.

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